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## Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

In the Matter of July 3, 2012 Annual Access Tariff Filings, WCB/Pricing No. 12-09

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In the *USF/ICC Transformation Order and FNPRM*, the FCC permitted price cap carriers, such as Verizon, to recover a portion of their reduced intrastate and interstate terminating access service revenues from end users through the Access Recovery Charge ("ARC"). Verizon implemented the ARC in Delaware, effective July 3, 2012. We are aware that on August 31, 2012, Betty Ann Kane, the Chairman of the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia, filed an application requesting that the full FCC hear the issues included in her July 30, 2012 Petition for Suspension of the Verizon Access Recovery Charge Tariff. Those issues relate to whether Verizon correctly calculated its ARC for the states in the former Bell Atlantic footprint.

The Delaware Public Service Commission supports Chairman Kane's application for the full FCC to hear and consider the issues concerning Verizon's calculation of the ARC. We feel that the issues raised by Chairman Kane have merit and warrant consideration by the FCC, especially as Verizon's calculation and application of the ARC may be causing Delaware's residential customers to pay more than their fair share of the lost revenues recoverable under the ARC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dallas Winslow, Chairman

Delaware Public Service Commission